श्री सभापति: आपने बहुत अच्छा जवाब दिया है इनको।

डा॰ रघुवंश प्रसाद सिंह: महोदय कई एम्प्लोयमेंट गारंटी स्कीम्ज बनाई जा रही हैं, जिससे देश भर में प्रत्येक गरीब परिवार के कम से कम एक सदस्य को साल भर में 100 दिनों के रोजगार की गारंटी की जाए और छोटे-छोटे व ट्रेडीशनल इण्डस्ट्री लगें, उसका हम स्वागत करते हैं। हम आपके सुझाव का भी स्वागत करते हैं।I welcome your proposal.

SHRI P.G. NARAYANAN: Mr. Chairman, Sir, Tamil Nadu produces one lakh engineers and lakhs of graduates every year. We have to provide employment to them. Taking into account the high incidence of unemployment, especially among the educated youths, will the Government consider stepping up the assistance to Tamil Nadu for implementing employment generation programmes?

डा॰ रघुवंश प्रसाद सिंह: महोदय, बेरोजगारी देश भर के तमाम राज्यों में हैं। राज्य सरकारें जितनी चेष्टा करेंगी उनको हम लोग उतनी सहायता करेंगे। खास करके तमिलनाडु ही नहीं, महोदय, अन्य राज्य भी...(व्यवधान)

श्री सभापति: जो उन्होंने कहा है उसका जवाब दे दीजिए।

डा॰ रघुवंश प्रसाद सिंह: वही तो मैं उत्तर दे रहा हूं। वे तो ग्रेज्युएट वाला सवाल पूछ रहे हैं। हमारे जो गरीबी रेखा से नीचे लोग हैं और गांव के जो बेरोजगार लोग हैं, उनमें ग्रेज्युएट भी हैं और वे गरीबी रेखा से नीचे हैं और रूरल अन-एम्प्लोइड हैं। अगर गांव में वे बेराजगार हैं तो उनके लिए हम प्रबंध करें।

Inclusion of 'TULU' language in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution

*329. Dr. VIJAY MALLYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal before Government to include 'Tulu' language in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution; and

(b) by when a decision in the matter is expected?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL): (a) and (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

DR. VIJAY MALLYA: Mr. Chairman, Sir, the reply given by the hon. Minister is that there is no criteria established for the inclusion of languages in the Eighth Schedule. As the hon. Minister is aware, late last year, the previous Government had passed a Constitution Amendment Bill, including the Bodo, the Santhali, the Maithali, and the Dogri languages in the Eighth Schedule. I would request the hon. Minister to please clarify by when this criteria will be established, and what are the credentials of the Chairman of the Committee to decide on the criteria? There are three million people in Dakshina Kannada, who speak Tulu. The 'Tulu' language is one of the "Pancha-Dravidas", that is, one of the five most important Dravidian languages in South India. It has a great cultural and literary history. Other languages have been included, apparently, without any criteria. So, there is no reason why the 'Tulu' language should be left out.

SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL: Fortunately for us in India, many languages are spoken and most of the languages are rich languages, good languages, which can be used by a large number of people in our country. The Constitution does not lay down any criteria, which should be adhered to for including languages in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution. That is why, Sir, this kind of confusion has been there. But it is also a fact that we have included more languages in the Eighth Schedule than were originally there in the Eighth Schedule. While doing that, we have generally, tried to find out as to the number of persons using those languages, the literary capacity of those langauges, and whether they are accepted by literary academics or not. These some of the things, which were taken into account while including the languages in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution. Recently, two years back, a Committee was appointed to lay down the criteria, for inclusion of languages in the Eighth Schedule. The Committee has given the report. The report is under the examination of the Government and after we accept its recommendations, it would be easier for us to say whether a language should be included in the Eighth Schedule or not.

DR. VIJAY MALLYA: I accept the hon. Minister's assurance about establishment of the criteria. But, may be, my further comment will help the hon. Minister. As far back as in 1856, Robert Caldwell, an internationally

renowned scholar, known for his monumental work, in "A Comparative Grammar of the Dravidian Family of Languages" included 'Tulu' as one of the most important languages. 'Tulu' is spoken by three million people, particularly, in coastal Karnataka, spreading from Udipi to the Kasargod district of Kerala. It is an integral part of the cultural heritage of Karnataka, that is, the Tuluva region. Therefore, I would urge the hon. Minister to expedite the establishment of the criteria and I have no doubt whatsoever, Mr. Chairman, Sir, that 'Tulu' will find its rightful place in the Eighth Schedule.

SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL: 'Tulu' is a good language and we will, certainly, keep that in mind while deciding on the inclusion of languages in the Eighth Schedule.

SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: The hon. Member has rightly said that along with Kannada, three other languages are also spoken in Karnataka. Apart from Kannada, they have the Coorgi, Konkan and Tulu. I would like to know from the hon. Minister whether any proposal to include these languages in the Eighth Schedule is there or not. Is there any time frame for it? 'Tulu' is one of the oldest languages in the Dravidian belt. People of the coastal region feel that a lot of injustice is being done to them by not including this language in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution.

SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL: Mr. Chairman, Sir, the Government does not includes the languages on its own. The Government had come to the conclusion that these are the important languages and they should be mentioned in the Eighth Schedule. We have been receiving letters and applications and representations from people. When these kinds of letters, applications and representations are made, we do not brush them aside because most of the Indian languages are rich languages. We apply our mind and take appropriate decision. This applies to other languages in Karnataka also.

श्री कलराज मिश्र: सभापति महोदय, मैं मंत्री महोदय से जानना चाहता हूं कि संथाली और मैथिली को आठवीं अनुसूची में रखने के लिए जब विधेयक पास हुआ था, तत्कालीन गृह मंत्री ने

उस समय भोजपुरी भाषा के बारे में भी उल्लेख किया था और यह कहा था कि करोड़ों लोग भोजपुरी बोलने वाले हैं। क्या भोजपुरी को आठवीं अनुसूची में सम्मिलित करने का आश्वासन आप दे सकते हैं?

श्री सभापति: इसके लिए अलग से प्रश्न होगा, आश्वासन देने का।

Subsidy on Import of wind power electric generating units/parts

*330. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:††
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a subsidy on importing wind power electric generating units or their machinery parts;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there are entrepreneurs in India who are indigenously manufacturing similar machines in India;

(d) if so, the comparative details of the cost of an imported wind power unit to a similar KV unit manufactured in India; and

(e) whether Government have plan to remove the subsidy offered on import of such machines or equipment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI VILAS MUTTEWAR): (a) and (b) There is no subsidy on importing wind power electric generating units or their machinery parts.

(c) No, Sir. However, wind electric generators are being produced through local production in the country, using some imported sub-systems, components and raw materials.

(d) As complete machines are not being imported, their price cannot be compared with indigenously produced machines.

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††The question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shrimati Ambika Soni